

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, Dec 12th 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor : Roll called:
Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Minutes of the last two regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and approved.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following report from the City Clerk, which was read and ordered recorded in the minutes:

Austin, Texas, Dec 2nd 1912.

Hon Mayor and City Council,
City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen :

As required by the City Charter ,I have the honor to report the following as the result of the election held in this City on the 27th of November 1912:

Cemetery proposition :

For Proposition No 1,	688 votes
For Proposition No 2,	259 "
Majority for proposition No1	429 "

Interurban Proposition :

For the Proposition	902 votes
Against the proposition	34 "
Majority of r the proposition	868 "

Respectfully submitted ,

Jno O Johnson, City Clerk

Hon Mayor and City Council,
Austin, Texas,

Gentlemen :

We, your Committee appointed to verify the report of the City Clerk ,have checked the returns from the different wards and find the same to be correct as certified by the City Clerk.

Respectfully,

H L Haynes ,Supt Receipts, Disbursements & accounts
. Jas P Hart, Supt Police & Pub Safety.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following monthly reports from City Officers: The Marshal, the Sanitary Inspector, the City Health Officer and Assistant, the Matron of the Hospital and the City Auditor, which were read and ordered filed.

Unfinished business :

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution authorizing the Supt of Parks and Public Property to purchase certain pipe for extensions to the proposed Reservoir, and making an appropriation for same, which was presented and read at the last regular meeting and laid over until this meeting, when it was read, and the following resolution was adopted:
Councilman Bartholomew moved to amend the resolution by striking out in line 3 the letter "B" and inserting the letter "A", thus making the pipe to be purchased Class "A", instead of Class "B". The amendment was adopted ,and the resolution as amended, was adopted by the following vote;

*City Clerk
Report Election
Councilman Powell
proposition*

*Supt Parks
to purchase
pipe*

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the pound fees paid by Mrs Geo Brazeal amounting to \$ 3.00 for the impounding of two head of cattle and the same is hereby remitted, the applicant being a poor woman and dependent to a large extent upon her cows for support, and having escaped from her control by accident, and the money still being in the hands of the Clerk of the Corporation Court, said officer is hereby authorized and directed to refund same.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

The horse of W Quebedaux having broken down the gate to his lot, was impounded, for which he paid the pound fee of \$ 1.50, and it appearing that his being at large was unavoidable, and the Supt of Police and Public Safety recommending the remission of this fee; therefore:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That said fee of \$ 1.50 is hereby remitted and the money still being in the hands of the Clerk of the Corporation Court said officer is authorized and directed to return same.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Whereas, the City of Austin, Texas, paved with Bitulithic in front of Lots 9, 10, 11 & 12 of Block 70, in this City, fronting the United States Post Office Building, at a cost to the City of Austin of thirteen hundred, thirty three and 57/100 dollars (\$ 1333.57); but, Whereas, the United States Government does not at any time or in any place pay for paving in front of the buildings owned and erected by it in the various Cities in the United States, as is made apparent to this Council ;

Now Therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the charge against the United States Government or lien, if any, established to secure the payment of said charge by reason of paving with Bitulithic in front of or adjacent to Lots 9, 10, 11 & 12, Block 70, of this City, where said lots front the United States Post Office Building, be and the same is hereby cancelled, annulled and said debt discharged as a claim or lien, as the case may be, against the United States Government.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That upon nomination of M C Welborn, Chief Engineer in charge of the Sewer construction work, and approved by the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements, W B Erwin be and he is hereby appointed and confirmed by the Council as Rodman on the Sewer construction work, at a salary of fifty (\$50.00) dollars per month, beginning Friday, December 5th 1912.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

*Mrs Geo Brazeal
Pound fee*

*W Quebedaux
pound fee*

*Paving U.S.
Post office*

*W B Erwin
appointed
Rodman*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That upon nomination of M C Welborn, Chief Engineer in charge of the Sewer work, and approval of the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements, Hans Helland Jr, is hereby appointed and confirmed by the Council as Inspector on the Sewer construction work, at a salary of eighty (\$80) dollars per month, beginning Monday, December 9th 1912.

*Hans Helland
appointed Inspector
Sewer Work*

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Mayor laid before the Council the following petition:

Austin, Texas, Oct 24th 1912.

To the City Council ,

Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen :

This is a request of your honorable body to allow me to place a frame in which to display Photographs around an electric or Telephone pole situated four feet back from Ave on West 9th street .

*Frank Elliott
sign*

It is my desire to place a nice frame (with glass) behind which I expect to keep on display my best Photographs so that the passing public can see them . Any courtesy your honorable body may extend will be highly appreciated . I submit herewith a rough sketch to give some idea of the plot of the ground,

Very Respectfully.

Frank Elliott.

On motion the petition was unanimously refused.

On motion of Councilman Hart the sum of ten dollars was allowed to N Smith for Horse killed by the City , by the following vote :

*N Smith
All in case horse
killed*

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas it appears to the City Council that the attached affidavit of Pr J Lawless, Trustee, that the Morgan Hamilton estate had no credits on the 1st day of January 1912, which affidavit is made a part hereof ; therefore

*Morgan Hamilton
estate
assessment reduced*

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City Austin :

That the assessment of thirteen thousand eight hundred and five dollars (13,805.00) credits against the Morgan Hamilton estate for the year 1912 be and the same are hereby cancelled, and the Assessor and Collector authorized to take credit accordingly.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1
Approved A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, C H Kehl , for the Kehl Hardware Co, has filed with this Council an affidavit that from an inventory taken prior thereto the merchandise stock of the Kehl Hardware Co, in Austin, Texas, on the 1st day of January 1912, was of the fair and just valuation of \$ 6,500.00 and no more; therefore

*Assessment
Kehl Hardware Co.*

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the assessment of the Kehl Hardware Co of its merchantile stock for the year 1912, be and it is hereby fixed at \$ 6,500.00, and the Assessor and

Collector is entitled to take credit upon his assessment rolls for the year 1912 accordingly

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That permit is hereby granted to G Flury to establish and maintain an electric Light sign at the corner of West 10th street and Congress Avenue, on the north side of " " at 10th street. Said sign is to be over the awning at this position, and to extend 5 feet out from the building. It is to be securely attached by steel rods or steel cords to the building in front of which it is placed, and is to be installed subject to the approval of the Assistant Supt of the Water, Light and Power department. Said sign will be in the form of a crescent with about one hundred electric lights in position upon it.

G Flury

This permit is made revocable at any time in the pleasure of this or any subsequent Council.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then recessed subject to call.

Saturday Dec 14th 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Powell.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That four hundred (\$ 400.00) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the general contingent fund of the City of Austin, as payment under contract of April 24th 1912, to Mrs G F Cox, upon her agreement to sell to the City of Austin the following described property: All that certain lots, tracks, or parcels of land described as follows, to-wit:

*Appropriation
Mrs G F Cox
Lots 13, 14, 15*

Part of Outlet No 73, (seventy three) Division "E" of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, particularly described as follows ; All of Block No seven (7), and a strip of ground seventy (70) feet in width lying immediately south of and adjoining said block No seven (7) bounded on the north by said block No seven (7) , on the east by a continuation south of the east line of said block No seven (7) , on the south by a street seventy (70) feet wide , therefore to-wit: on the thirteenth day of September 1886 conveyed by William Thaison to the City of Austin by deed recorded in book 74, pages 234-35 deed records of Travis County Texas, and on the west by the Colorado River. Also all the land lying between the western boundary lines of said block No seven (7) and the Colorado River, all in accordance with the map or plat of what is known as the Driskill & Rainey sub-division of part of Outlets No seventy two (72) and seventy three (73) in Division "E" City of Austin, Texas, as appears of record in the Office of the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas, in plat book No one (1) on page 22 to which reference is here made and the same is made a part hereof.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor .

*L. H. Younger
Rifle Range*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

That the petition of L H Younger ,Captain of Troop "C" Calvary of the Texas National Guard ,to establish and maintain an indoor rifle range for military purposes in the second story of the building known as the Hillebrand Hardware store,at 513-15 Congress Avenue,be and same is hereby granted .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Hart & Haynes 3
Absent Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Upon investigation by the Supt of Police and Public Safety,it appearing to the City Council that one Jno Hamilton was fined in the Corporation Court in the sum of \$ 5.00 and costs amounting to \$ 15.00,for abusive language; that the circumstances preceeding the offense were of such an aggravating character ,if not sufficient to justify at least to mitigate the offense,and the Supt of Police and Public Safety recommending the remittance of said fine;therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That said fine be and the same is hereby remitted ,and the money being still in the hands of the Clerk of the Corporation Court ,said officer is authorized and directed to refund the same .

The Resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew,Hart & Haynes 4
Absent Councilman Powell 1

Approved ,A P Wooldridge ,Mayor.

The Council then adjourned,

J. W. Johnson
City Clerk

*Jno Hamilton
fine remitted*